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To: Microsoft ATR
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Hello,

I understand you are collecting comments on the proposed Microsoft settlement under the provisions of the Tunney Act.

Please count me as an interested party (consumer and citizen) who is OPPOSED to the settlement as it currently stands.

I would like to see the settlement re-negotiated with terms that are more carefully selected to protect competitors to Microsoft and especially to change the provisions that could potentially allow Microsoft to inhibit competition from non-commercial software projects such as the Open Source software available on the GNU/Linux platform. As a Monopoly, Microsoft must be actively restricted from tilting the proverbial "level playing field" by their legal and marketing influences. I do not think the current settlement proposal does enough to assure a fair competitive environment.

Thank you,

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